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Mosakong, Mar 21, 1698.

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FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Maraniles, v. Saigun Sydney (s)..... Goods are landed.

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H. A. RITOHIE, Superintendent. Hongkong, May 18, 1896.

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Shanghai, on presentation of WARRANTS

Hongkong, May 22, 1896. HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

COMPETITION.

THE Short Range CUP and SPOONS will be Shot for TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 23rd Instant, over the 200 and 500 yards distances, on the Police RANGE, KOWLOON; conditions as usual. F. SMYTH, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 22, 1896. BANK HOLIDAYS.

TN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be OLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on MONDAY (Warr MONDAY), the 25th Inst., and on THURS-DAY, the 28th Inst., the day appointed in this Colony for the CELEBRATION of the ANNIVERSARY of the BIETHDAY of Hen TU-MURROW, the 23rd Inst., at 5 p.m. T. H. WHITEHEAD,

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CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager. Hongkong, May 22, 1896.

THE CHINA MUTUAL . STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Arnhold, Karbeg&Co. May 26, at noon. Japan.....Ancons (s)..... London and Hamburg Clam (8)...... Butterfield & wire ... May 25. Condon, v. Buez Cana Ulysses (a)...... Butterfield & wire ... June 5. London, v. Suez Cana. felamon (s) ... P. & O. S. N.Co June 4, at noon. London & Ports of Call Mirzapore (s) Nippon YusenKalsha, About June 4. London, v. S'pore, &c. Agapanthus (8)... P. & O. S. N Co About May 29. London Coylon (s) P. & O. S. N.Co About June 13. London Manila (5)... May 23, at 5 p.m. Shewan & Co..... Manila.....Esmoralda (s)..... Butterfield &Swire ... May 23, daylight. Manila, via Amoy Sungkiang (6) Messageries faritimes May 27, at noon, Siemssen & C Quick despatch. New York Garard O. Tobey. U. & G. S. S O.... S. Francisco, v. Japan Gaelio (s)...... Pacific Mail ; S. Co. June 7, daylight, S. Francisco. v. Japa. City of Peking (s)..... Quick despatch. howar & Co..... San Francisco...... Queen Elizabeth... Shewan & Cc San Francisco...... Socotra..... Butterfield & Swire ... May 23, daylight. Shanghai Teinan (a) Shanghai Peiyang (a). P. & O. S. L. Co About May 31. Kuisar-i-Hind (s)..... Holliday, Wie & Co. May 25, at 5 p.m. Shanghai and Japau... Pakling (a)...... P. & O. S. I. Co About May 30. S'pore, Col'bo & B'bay Knight of St. John (s) Nippon Yuan Kaisha. May 23, at 5 p.m. Butterfield & Swire ... May 27. Douglas Lapsik & Co. May 24, daylight. S'tow, Amoy & F'chow Haitan (8)...... Tientsin...... Nanchang (s)...... Butterfield & Jwire. May 29, at noon. Vancouver (B.C.), & Empress of China (a). Canadian Phick. Co. June 1, at noon, CEPARTURES.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTIOE.

TURING my Temporary Absence from this Colony, I have appointed Mr. A. E. ALLEMAO, of No. 9, D'AGUILAR STREET, to SELL the SINGER SEWING MACHINES in Hongkong. (Sgd.) H. E. BOTTLEWALLA Sole Agent in South China,

For the SINGER MANUFACTURING Co.,

of New York.

ZETLAND No. 525 E.C.

A N Emergency MEETING of the above A LODGE will be held in the FREE-MASONS' HALL, Zotland Street, TUESDAY, the 26th Inst., at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethers are CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND. 1058 for Foochow via Amoy, Mr O. E. Smith Hongkong, May 22, 1896.

LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAL The Co.'s Steamship Captain RAMSAT, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 23rd Instant, at Daylight.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. May 21 :--Picciola, German steamer, 875, E. Haza,

Newchwang May 13, and Chefco 15, Beans and Oil - WING OREONG & Co. May 22 :--Peiyang, German steamer, from Canton.

Knight of St. John, British str., 3,482, A. F. H. Billett, Kobe and Moji May 17, General .- NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Haitan, British str., 1,182, J. S. Roach, Foochow May 19, Amoy 20, and Swatow 21, General .- DOUGLAS STRAMSHIP Co.

Albingia, German steamer, 1,190, H. Witt, Amoy May 21, 6 a.m., Ballast,-CAPTAIN. Paking, British steamer, 1,789, H. Allen, London and Singapore May 17, General. Hollida Will & Co.

CLEARED. Knight of St. John, for Singapore. Marie Jessen, for Amoy. Tamen, for Shanghai. Sungkiang, for Amoy and Manile, Bonnangion, for Nagazaki, 488 African for Molla

Sbipping.

Daylight. - Tsinan leaves for Shanghai. Daylight, -Bungkiany leaves for Manils,

5 p.m .- Esmeralda leaves for Manila. 5 p.m.-Knight of St. John leaves for Bombay, Sc.

Miscellaneous.

Association.

TUESDAY, May 26 :-2.30 p.m .- Auction of Sundry House-Armstrong's. 5.30 p.m. - Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Exchange. Honorong, May 22, 1896. n Lendon-30 days' sight. 4 months' sight, Doonmentary, 4 months sight, In Paris-On demand, Oredita, 4 months' sight, on Berlin-Demand,... On New York-On demand, Credits, 60 days' sight, n Bombay-In Calcutten Shanghel-712 On demand, 30 days' sight, private paper Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) Per Haitan, rom Coast Ports, Mr and \$ 8.0L Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) Mrs Cass, Capt, F. Ashton, Capt. Sachse Silver (per oz.) Mesars Stopheni, Figuereido, and 94 Chi

Quotations. HONGKONG, May 22, 1896. , cash, ... 72 1 New Benares, cash, 6822 New Maiwa, credit, 750 Allowance, Taels,... 36/64 Old Malwa, credit, 760/780 Allowance, Taels,... 8/36 Persian, Oily, cash,. -Allowance, Taels,... -Persian, Paper tied 655/660

arrived Amoy at 7.10 p.m., same day, and had light E'ly and N.E'ly winds and fine weather. Left Amoy on 20th, and had similar weather. Left Swatow ou 21st, and had similar weather. Steamer in Foochow: Haushin. Steamers in Amoy : Cheang Hye Teng, Namyong, Kwong Mo, Hunan, Wuchang, Meefod and Clara. Steamers in Swatow : Pacting, Taisang and Frogner.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Per s.s. Glenshiel, sailed 5th May :- For Marseilles, 106 pkgs. Canes; for Manobester, 70 hales Waste Silk ; for London, 1,000 bales Hemp and 13 pkgs. Sundries. Per s.s. Cowrie, sailed 14th May :- For Antwerp, 208 bales Split Bamboos; for London and/or Hamburg, 35 bales Feathers; for New York, 18 cases Merchandise; for

London; 6 cases Lanterns, 10 cases Blackwoodware, 25 cases Bristles, 45 cases Camphor, 300 rolls Mats, 975 pkgs. Cannon Orackers, 1332 pkgs. Fire Orackers | for Hamburg. 10 cases Cassia Buds, 55 cases Bristles, 113 cases Camphor, 121 bales Raw Rattans, 1d6 bales Galangal, 307 bales Canes and 895 bales Feathers.

Per s.s. Java, sailed 19th May: -Bor New York, 29 cases Chinaware; for London, 582 pkge. Matting, 491 bales Canes, 42 cases Shell, 547 cases Chinaware, 51 cases Blackwoodware, 435 bales Waste Silk, 2 cases Fans, 5 cases Silk Piece Goods, 38 cases Opium, 99 casks Ginger, 52 pkgs. Sundries and 1,080 boxes Tea, containing 22,890 lbs.

Per s.s. Ravenna, sailed 21st May t-For Amsterdam, 1 case Silk Piece Goods | for London, 875 pkgs. Tea from Foochow. 1,182 pkgs. Tea, containing 25,772 lbs. Congou, 2 cases Silk Piece Goods, .10 cases Cigars and 4 page. Sandries ; for Marseilles, 514 bales Raw Silk, and 2 cases Silk Piece Goods; for Milan, 25 bales Raw Silk; for Triests, 70 bales Pierced Coccons.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For SHANGHAL .-Per Peigang, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 23rd inst. For MANILA,-

Per Esmeralde, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 23rd inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per Haitan, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 23rd inet.

For TIENTSIN-Per Nanchang at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 23rd mat. Per Kwongsang, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 30th inst. For BANGKOK_

Per Mongkut, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 24th int. For SWATOW & BANGKOK .-Per Machew, a 9 a.m., on Sunday, the For PORT DALWIN, THURSDAY IS LAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNS.

VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE .-Per Taiyuan, at 2.30 p.m., on Monday, the 25th last, Supplementary mail on board till time of departure. Extra postage 10 cents. AMOY, SHANGHAL NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

For EUROPE, &c. INDIA VIA TUTI-CORIN. Per Marierule, Registration, 7.80 a.m. the 26th inst. (Late latters, \$10 10 1-39 MM

the 25th last,

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

4 p.m .- Poiyang leaves for Shanghai.

Competition of the Hongkong Rifle

General Memoranda. MONDAY, May 25 :-Insurance Offices close. Local Banks close. 5.30 p.m .- Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

hold Furniture, &c., at Mr J. M THURSDAY, May 28:-

Local Banks close. ... 2.22

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Allowance, Taols,... 10/36

Per Wuotan, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.	HONGKUNG REGISTER.						
Per Siam, for Swatow, 400 Chinese. Per Choysang, for Swatow, 17 Chinese.		Previous dayatep.m.	On date at	On data at			
To DEPART.	Barometer	29.88	29.88	29.81			
Per Maris Jehsen, for Amoy, 180 Chinese.	Temperature	79	79	77			
Par Tsinan, for Shanghai, 1 European.	Bumidity	79	76	86			
Per Sungkiang, for Amoy and Manila, Mr J. F. Loader, Miss Juana Pastor, and	Direction of Wind	RSE	ESE	23			
Mr Juan Valencia.	Force	3	. 3	3			
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A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED. THE HONGEONG DISPERSALT Hongkong, Vonners A, 1896,

The publication of this issue commenced at 5,55 p.m.

The China Itail.

HONOKONO, PRIDAY, MAY 22, 1856. Ir any argument were needed to clinch the recent popular decision, that we must have a Sanitary Board composed of men who possess some knowledge of how to conduct such business in Hongkong, that argument was furnished by the meeting of the official Sanitary Board held yesterday afternoon. We are not certain whether the present shred of a Board is really a legally-constituted body, in accordance with the Ordinance still in force; but the action of the three officials (the 'official majority'), a against the useless attempt of the 'unofficial minority ' (Mr N. J. Ede) is quite Glenfruin, April 14; Ghazee, Preussen, 21; sufficient to discredit the existence of any other 'official majority 'so long as this Colony lasts. It may seem to be ungenerous to say so, but the meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday was not only that of an 'official majority,' but is was to all intents and purposes a meeting of the 'one-official' order. The Hon. F. A. Cooper, Director of Public Works, President and Dictator of the ... 2/23 Sanitary Board, etc., has apparently ... 2/2 been working up for some time pa-t to the position of Dictator ... 2/28 the Colony. We judge that this is sog because of the fact that he has been permitted to do things which even the Governor himself does not fully approve. and no check appears to be placed upon the actions of this great man. Me Cooper assumed an attitude vesterday at the Sanitary Board meeting which not only shows, what we have said before, that he possesses not a particle of the tact necessary for effective administration, but that he is an officer whose unchecked action (in or out of the Sanitary Board, as at present constituted) is calculated to seriously affect the good Government of the Colony. We have neither time nor space at present to enter into the details of the question which furnished the occasion for Mr Cooper to fout the community and to give the British residents this object lesson in official methods which should be invaluable to them for future use and guidance. Mr Danby is a resident of much longer standing than any of his so-called opponents, and there is no doubt in the minds of those who bave read Mr Danby's letter, calling attention to certain alleged irregularities in the procedure of the Board's officers, that he wrote that letter in the public interest. Mr Ede has emphatically expressed that opinion, and we are convinced the feeling of the community is and will be on that side until the charges are sifted to the very bottom by an independent body of inquirers. In the meantime, it may be well to call the attention of the Governor to the pointed remarks made by Mr Ede, the only unofficial on the That gentleman, who com-Board. That gentleman, who comtime of experience of Hongkong and Chinese, has taken the only wise view of the action of Mr Danby. He says. 'That letter was sent in good faith. If a man for such a thing as this | letters, owing to pressure on our space. is to be called upon by the Crown Solicitor to explain his conduct, we will never get any evidence at all.' No resident who has gained even the least smattering of knowledge of the Chinese

character will for a moment question

the soundness of this opinion. And

quence, that any official who dreams

against Mr Danby for attempting to

clear up irregularities in a Department

is unfit to preside over the Sanitary

Board (such as it is) of this Colony.

Any official who would at once refuse

an investigation into certain statements,

and throw mud around generally, as

Mr Cooper has done, has proved him

self to be unfitted for holding the bal-

when that balance comes down with a

Outside of this, however, there is one

other point. We have already mention-

ed the object lesson given to the com-

munity by this illustration of ill-timed

momentous bump on his own side.

taking action (legal or illegal)

we may add, as a necessary

of the 'official majority,' We have For the previous twenty-four hours four hinted at the lack of decision and administrative grip shows by His Excellency the Governor in not keeping his subordinate in sufficient check. And now, if measures are not taken to place some kind of ourb upon the intolerable assumptions of our local Diotator, the British community will be own hands. It has been suggested that there is no necessity for plebisoitum on the question whether Mr. Cooper ought or ought not parate system (disapproved by the Go- ably. vernor) has proceeded merrily to completion. There are, however, constitu- Thomas Howells and Thomas Freeman, tional means of bringing to the notice of the Secretary of State the official acts of the Government, or its servants; and this action will certainly be taken disavowed by the Government. heads of Public Works who has ever been paid for out of Hongkong rates. The proviously hazarded the statement that We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits his seal for the public service has AND AND MANUEL TO THIS AND ANALOGUES (BINDA) TO SECOND

last as if the entire civil community were his born enemies. But meantime, we can only lament, and await the action of the Governor. We hear that many of the thirty-one voters for the 'Official Majority' are now deeply

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL

(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER). OUTWARD BOUND :- Ixion, April 17; Fast Sang. 21; Glenovon, 28; Achilles, Oopack, Nerite, May 1; Bentomond, Polyphemus, Rose Castle, Glamorganshire, Balmoral, Dordogne, Rickmers, 5; Cedar Branch, Woolwich, Pyrihus, 9; Prinz Heinrich, Thekla, Tosa Maru, 12; Chingwo. Glenfarg, Palawan, Bengloe, 15; Glenariney, Melbourne, Monmouthshire, Oolong, Orestes, Dorothea Rickmers, 19. HOMEWARD BOUND: -- Merionethshire, Ningchow, March 27 : Port Adelaide, 31

Frigga, Maria Teresa, 24; Tuntalus, May 1; Salazie, 12; Agiaia, 15. The M. M. Co.'s s. s. Oceanien, with the FRENCH MAIL of the 24th April, left Saigon on Wednesday, 20th May, at

9 s.m., and may be expected here

on or about Saturday, the 23rd May.

This Packet brings replies to letters

despatched from Hongkong on March The N. P. s. s. Strathleven has sailed from Moji, and may be expected here on or

about Monday, the 25th inst. The Empress of China left Vancouver on Monday afternoon (11th instant), for Hongkong,

The O. & O. s.s. Doric, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, Yokohama and Nagazaki, on the 12th inst.

The N. P. s.s. Tacoma left Victoria for this port on 17th inst., via usual ports of

Steamers Expected. The s. s. Suisang, from Calcutta and

Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 17th instant. The N. G. L. s.s. Bisagno left Singapore for this port on the 21st inst., and is due .

here on or about the 29th ipst. The P. & O. s. s. Mazagon left Bombay for this port on the 8th just. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s a. s. Hydaspes left

Bombay for this port on 16th inst.

instant.

Latest Advices The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Belgic, with mails, &c., which left hence April 25th for San Francisco, via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Ses and Yokohams, arrived at her destination on the 20th

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. City of Peking, with the AMERICAN MAIL of May leaves Yokohama, via Nagasaki, on Saturday the 23:d instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 29th inst. e German Mail s.e. Karleruhe left Shang-

hai at 9 a.m. on Friday, the 22nd inst., and may be expected here about Sunday evening, the 24th inst. The P. & O. s.s. Mazagon left Singapore for this port at 10 p.m. on the 21st inst. The P. & O. s. a. Aden left Singapore for burg, left Singapore for this port on the 22nd inst., and may be expected

here on or about the 28th just. WE are compelled to hold over several

THE afternoon Mr J. J. Francis, Q.C., delivered an address on the 'Navy League' at

the City Hell Commissioning Spinney, accompanied by Assistant Commissioner Haynes, proceeds to Mengiau on or about the 25th inst. to represent the Imperial Chinese Customs on the Franco-Chinese borderland. Mr Carl. who has been transferred from Mengten to Szemeo, will be accompanied by Examiner

FOURTEEN cases of plague were reported at the Sanitary Board Offices from noon yesterday till noon to-day. There are 2 cases ance in the Sanitary Board-especially from the city; 2 from Shaukiwan, 5 from Kowloon, and 5 from the harbour. Private Durrant, mess servant of the Rifle Brigade, was sent to-day to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from plague. This is the first case that has occurred amongst the and unnecessary bungling on the part British troops since the present outbreak.

cases only were reported. YESTERDAY & Sanitary Inspector received information that the death of a woman on a sampan in the harbour had been reported at the Registrar General's office. It was stated the woman had died from plague. compelled to take the matter into their The inspector went on board the boat to examine the body, and while doing so the supposed corpse awoke, causing great consternation to the other occupants of the boat. That The inspector sent for stimulants, and then lowest priced, are guaranteed to be could be done by a show of hands, as it had the woman removed to the Tung Wah the genuine product of the juice of the has been a patent fact ever since the se- Hospital, where she is progressing favour-

privates in G. Company of the Rifle Brigade, were charged before Commandor Hastinga at the Magistracy to-day with stealing \$10 if Mr Cooper's unnecessary and uncall. in money and part of a silver sleeve link ed-for abuse, and the unheard-of resb- from Gustavus Stour, chief engineer of the lution and letter of the Board are not s.s. Sultan. About nine o'clock last night We Detective-Sergeant Holt entered the lower have repeatedly heard, and believe, that bar of the Hongkong Hotel, and while there observed the two soldiers behaving in a manner which aroused his suspicions. He went great puzzle presented to the communi- up to the bar, ordered a drink, and watched local connoisseurs to be superior to any ty is that he has succeeded in raising the men in a mirror opposite to them. Stour, such a storm of opposition in the breasts who was drunk, was lying asleep in the ber. of a fairly honest community. We have | Holt observed the men steal the money and a coin off a alesye link. He immediately persistently smothered in him every trace arrested the men and had them removed to of tact he ever possessed. But why he the Police Station. The drunk men was

should have hurried up this end spentacle also taken to the Station in an insensible of the death-blow to a Sanitary Board condition, and did not awake till three o'clock with an Official Majority so soon after this morning. The Magistrain imposed the Popular Ballot had been taken, this morning. The Magistrain imposed seems almost to imply that his official approach of three months hard labour on feelings had run away with him, I Howell, one month hard labour on Freeman, It seems a pity that a public core and fixed Stone at 1st being drunk and

regretting their action.

Osaka: 50 cattle have died and 130 have been killed since the end of April.

It's stated by a Japanese contemporary that over 300,000 decorations and rewards have been granted in Japan for services rondered during the war.

THE Rev. Alfred Hiff will hold a Children's Service in the Peak Church on Sunday, 24th inst., at 4.80 p.m. Hymns, Nos. 209, 211, 207, and 210.

"THE authorities at Anning (reports a Tokio telegram dated 11th May) have been officially informed that on account of the outbreak of the bubonic plague at the port, transports will cease to call there until of further notice.

MONDAY, the 25th inst., being Whit Monday, the Post Office will be closed except from 8 to 9 a.m. Correspondence for the Peak and Kowloon may be posted up to 9 a.m. The night box will be left open. The money order office will be entirely

In is expected by the Mainichi that the N.Y.K. will accept the proposition of the P. & G. M.M., N.D.L., and Austrian of freight charges. Surely the Mainichi has got astray here. So far as we are aware the freight rates of the various mail companies are not uniform. Perhaps the Mainichi means that there is a prospect of Shipping Conference, which is more likely.

light yesterday at Kowloon, and from the depredation it appears to be the work of average, to 6 or 7 tons for the Gallo-Mus- land, both north and south, mainly within part of the armed gang who have been covite group, and the quick-firer prepender- the past twenty years. The narrative of carrying on operations in the Colony for some time past. About twelve o'clock noon range action they don't count, 'Tis the sider it to have been too highly coloured, two man entered the house of the man in charge of the pumping machinery at Cosmopolitan Dock, and tied the occupant's more Centurions, three or four Edgars and Dr Mackay on the occusion of his last visit wife by the hands and feet. They then forced paper and cotton waste into her mouth, to prevent her crying out. The ought to have a big margin to keep an eye way misrepresented. The Chapters relatrobbers then pulled off her rottan bangles, which were mounted with gold, and a gold finger-ring valued at \$29, and left the premisss. The woman was found in this condition by her husband. Her face was terribly torn and scratched by the men in their efforts to gag her. Information was at once lodged with the Police at Yaumati, and Inspector Butlin, three hours after the robbery, recovered the stolen articles in a some officers in the Medical Staff, whose the probable effect of that event on the pawn-broker's shop at Yaumsti. Late last night a man was arrested at Yaumati by are styled officially Lieutenant and Captain, | We can cordially recommend this volume two Chinese detectives and was identified without the apparently obnoxious prefix of to all who are interested in the Problems by the pawnbroker as the man who had pawned the articles. The man was not borne on the strength of the same Departidentified by the woman as one of the rob- ment? Why should not this privilege be PERSIAN LIFE AND CUSTOMS, WITH SCENES bers. This man was charged before Commander Hastings at the Magistracy to-day with being in the unlawful possession of stolen property. The case was remanded | CHINESE OUSTOMS IN HONGKONG. to enable the Police to obtain fuller

A saw days ago, we published an extended account of the sinking of the ship Blairmore in San Francisco Harbour. It will be remembered that the vessel was capsized by a cyclonic gust of wind, and that an at- of the Imperial Chinese Customs establishtempt was made to resous certain members of the crew who were imprisoned in the overturned vessel by outting a hole in its side. The men who attempted to effect the resone are now sued for causing the vessel in sink. The point raised is surely a novel one. It is discussed as follows by the San-Francisco Chronicle :- The defence made by James Dickie, of the Union Iron Works, from the charge that he sunk the Biairmore by cutting a hole in her hull after the vessel had capsized, will strike impartial persons as a strong one. Me Dickie points out that it was his duty to do all that he could to save the lives of the imprisoned seamen, whose cries he heard, and that the only chance to aid them was the one which To took. If it was a desperate chance that was the misfortune of the Blairmore's victims and not Mr Dickie's fault. When the lows :hole was out the ship was resting on the mud and could not have been towed into shallow water. She did not then sink, for she had done that an hour before. Indeed, after the hull had been opened the vessel only sattled from nine to twelve inches in | yellow, never all appear in the same species the course of seven hours, and she shows her keel now at low tide two feet above the surface. That the imprisoned seamen died, theither from bad air or the upward rush of water, was to have been expected, but there was a chance of saving at least one unforunate, and this is what Mr Dickie took. Delay would have done the men no good. for in that was the peril of suffocation by the nauseating fumes of the hold. Indeed there was too much delay, for the voice of one of the crew could be heard within five minutes of the time that the hull was penetrated. In any event the main question does not affect the circumstances which erosa after the Blairmore had capaized. What the public wants to know is where the fault of the disaster itself resides. Who is responsible for having kept the vessel in the stream with insufficient ballast on a day of squallet It is to these points that inquiry should first turn, both to fix the responsibility of the loss of the ship and of the lives of her imprisoned orew. What happened afterward in the effort to save the lives which carelessness or incompetence had doomed is a matter of less consequence.

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CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of the 'OHINA MAIL.' Hongkong, May 20, 1896,

NAVAL STRENGTH IN THE FAR

Sin, -I have not seen the table published by 'T. I. S.' in the Daily Press. Nor shall I having read his letter of last night, take the trouble to read it. I did not compare 18 English ships with 17 Russian ships en bloc. Neither would a naval contest be evidently have us imagine. His comparison of two squadrons, one English, the other ing unction which our foes may comfortably lay to their souls I scout. The monster Rurik (vide a northern paper) may be the acme of naval force, but the rest are. I repeat, overcrowded hulks. Of the French ships he names, the Duquay Trouis may be put on the shelf at once. The Alger and Isly provided their British opponents promise not to dash those top-heavy triple tops down on deck, and also to allow these topheavy, bottle-nosed monstrosities of naval architecture (cave the mark) a respite during turning evolutions, -might be danger-Maybe too, the English Admiral will not take 'T. L. S.'s' nine (and mine) as his first squadron. If he should where are the nine to match them? In the imagination of 'T. I. S. ' perhaps, but not affoat in

resident (something over 10 years), but I their home in the inhospitable climate of found a Duguay Trouin here whilst I was the Beautiful Isla have a better equipyet new to relative naval strengths. The | ment for a discussion either of the diagnosis Lloyd's Companies to adopt a uniform scale | newness is not quite worm off I admit, but | or the prognosis of the races of Formosa. some of it was gone ere one of the guns run The sixteen illustrations give a vivid idea out on the Admiral Korniloff took the mast of the nature of Formosan surroundings. out of my sampan (hired of course) long There is a map of the whole Island; another long ago. In Japan, too, I have seen other of the northern part showing the Canadian Admirals all grand targets, and certainly Mission Stations and two others devoted not now. Also overcrowded and slow. respectively to the geology and the botany 'Never despise an enemy' is a wound of Formosa, the Nippon Yuson Kaisha joining the maxim but jumping on him with both feet To many readers the scientific details works out best in practice. If he is big | will appear the most valuable parts of this and slow, just pump him with long dist- work, while there are others who will, as ance feints. A long arm is useful in wak- we think rightly, consider them of much A ROBBERY was committed in broad day- ing him up for the mad plunges of the last less importance than the simple straightforact. Now our ships are faster, the nine of ward tale of a wonderful moral revolution course, the gum are heavier, some 9 tons | which has been silently going on in the Isance is overwhelming. Torpedo-tubes can these changes is so surprising, that it would wait. With speed in hand, and a long not be strange if many readers should conold story of the Armada again. I quite were it not for the incidental testimony af-

> on friendly enemies. - Yours. NAVY LEAGUER.

> > A QUERY.

To the Editor of the 'OHINA MAIL Hongkong, 21st May, 1896. SIR,-I would be much obliged if some of your military readers would enlighten me on the following point. An officer on entering the Army Medical Staff is given the rank of Surg.-Lieutenant and later on published before the Japanese occupation that of Surgeon-Captain. There are also actual duty is superintending the supply Island and its development, though it and issue of Hospital stores. These latter seemed that it cannot be unfavourable. Surgeon.' Is this not an anorosly, as in of the Far East.' the official Army List, I see they are all extended to all officers of that Depart. ment?-Yours.

A PUZZLED CIVILIAN.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, May 22, 1896. Str. Will you kindly allow me to ask through the columns of your valuable newspaper the following questions upon which some of your numerous readers will doubtless be able to throw some light !-1. By whose and by what authority is | Chinese, whoreas they are Oriental. the Headquarters of the Kowloon Branch

ed in the Colony of Hongkong? 2. Is the Government aware of the serious nature of such an institution nurtured in the bosom of the free port of

Hongkong ! 8. I understand there is a Commissioner, a Deputy Commissioner and several assistants resident in the Colony. Are these gentlemen's names on the Jury list ! If so. why are they never on a Jury? If not on the Jury list, what I want to know is, upon what grounds these gentlemen are exempt from the performance of duties which the other members of the community are liable to be called on to perform?-

That some one will be kind enough to explain anch a glaring discrepancy is the

INTERESTING POINT FOR HORTI-CULTURISTS. To the Editor of the 'CHINA MATL.'

Amoy, 19th May, 1896. Str. -- Referring to the enclosed cutting from your issue of the 14th reading as fo.

A knowledge of one simple law of Nature. says a scientific writer in a home paper, may cave the flower-grower days and weeks or hard and unavailing labour in attempting to produce that famous chimora of the botanists-the blus rose. The law is simply this: The three colours, red, blue, and of flowers; any two may exist, but never the third. Thus we have red and yellow roses, but no blue; red and blue verbenes. red. Other exemples of this rigid law could be sited, but the above are sufficient. The botavist or floriculturist who really understands his business never attempts to produce a blue rose or a red violet."

An exception to the rigid (1) rule at once occurs to me- 'The Hysointh'-in which we have blue, red, and yellow forms. The family of bulbous plants called ' Brodicea.' furnishes another. Brodima coccinea and B. volubilis doing duty for red; Brodies grandiflors or B. laxa for blue; and Brodiosa Hendersoni and B. gracilis for yellow. The family of German Iris (Iris Germanica) also furnishes an example, the type being blue, and there are also yellow and claret-coloured forms, though perhaps it is stretching a point to oall claret, 'red.' Doubtless there are many other exceptions which do not readily occur to me, as I write from memory, and almost without books of reference-Yours,

W. H. WALLACE. P. S .- Since writing the above it coourred to me that the probid family would surely furnish examples refuting the above law. I turn to my Manual, and almost the first family I come to, the Disto, gives ne what I seek .- Dies grandiflors, brilliant scarlet ; Dina Chrysostachya, golden yellow ; Disa longicornia, blue; Disa Draconie, white and dark blue.

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REVIEWS.

FROM FAR FORMOUA, THE ISLAND, ITS PEOPLE AND MISSIONS, by Guorge Leslie Mackay, D.D., twenty-three years a Missionary in Formesa. Edited by the Rev. J. A. Macdonald, with portraits, illustrations and maps. Fleming H. Revell Company, New York, Chicago, Toronto, pp.

This volume of alliterative title, is an important contribution to the comparativethe carefully rehearsed spectacle he would by little known Island which it so carefully describes. A large portion is occupied with Gallo-Muscovite is maybe satisfactory to an account of the Island itself, and of its himself. That his comparison is a flatter- highly conglomerate people, of whom by most residents of the Far East very little is commonly heard. The important position which Formosa held in the recent war, and the occupation of its fertile territories by the conquering Japanese, have attracted attention o it as never before since the days of world-wide communication began,

Dr Mackey is widely known as a zealous and an enthusiastic Missionary of the Canadian Presbytorian Church, but his volume shows in its numerous chapters on geology, trees, plants and flawers, animal life, and ethnology, that he is also to some extent a scientific observer as well.

The details given in the sections devoted to the 'Conquered Aberigines,' and the China Seas, either before or after an | 'The Mountain Savages' are largely new, action. When Leaid 'years and years ago ' and no doubt absolutely trustworthy. Con I meant it. I repeat it. I am not an old tainly few foreigners who have ever made

agree with 'T. I. S.' that it is best to forded by the document printed on pages "never despise an enemy." We want two | 321-323 comprising an address presented to ten or a dozen "destroyers" added to the home in 1893. The long list of names ap-China Naval command. We have no mar- pended to this paper makes it impossible gin after one well-fought action, and we that the main facts can have been in any contents-form a substantial contribution to the literature of Missions in China, and will remain a permanent record of the forces by which a society absolutely heathen, may within a single generation be largely modified by the introduction of a wholly new To those who believe in evolution, which probably includes all those who read these lines, such a record cannot fail to have great significance. As the book was

> Persis. With Maps and Illustrations. Fieming H. Revell Company, New

York, Chicago, Toronto, 1895, pp. 321. This handsome volume in seventeen Chapters is chiefly interesting to dwellers in the Far East, as showing the wide prevalence of traits which are often miscalled

We have here a good deal of geographical detail, and many readable accounts of journeys taken through the dominions the Shah. Persia is an interesting land by reason of the important part which it has pecially for the efforts which have been made within recent years to bring it somewhat into line with the Spirit of the Age under an enlightened ruler, whose visits

to Europe have attracted so much attention and have excited such high hopes. In Persia, as in nearly all Oriental lands. there is a mixture of races and religious which make the task of the Governor and of the reformer exceedingly difficult. Mohammedans of Persia are noted for their bigotry, and their power in cases of extremity is so great that the rule is practically that of a Hierarchy. One of the most interesting parts of this volume is that concluding portion of the Chapter on Business Life, which details the history of the great schemes begun under the auspioes of Sir Drummond Wolff, British Minister to Persia. During and after the of projects was set on foot. The Imperial Bank of Persia was authorized, with ordinary banking rights, and given the power to issue paper currency, together with the power of working mines. It was understood that the conditions of the concession were the payment of forty thousand pounds in cash, and six per cent of the net annual profits to the Shah. The Imperial Bank but no yellow; yellow and blue in the vari- sold its mining rights to a Mining Corpoous members of the viclet family, but no ration organized largely from the same stockholders, for a nominal sum of eight hundred thousand pounds, of which by far the larger part was in the Mining Stock. A Road Company was organised to make highways to Ispahan and Teheran. Conpessions were granted for Electric-Light plant, for Artesian Wells, for the manufacture of matches, and the establishment of lottories. Russia secured the exclusive right to make railways for a period of years, established a Consulate at Meshed. and joined that City by a Wagon-Road to its Transcaspien Railway. French engineers appeared on the scone to open a highway from Trebisond to Tabriz. Internal monopolies were projected; one was for the control of the brick trade, another for that of lime, another for the manufacture of crookery. It seemed that a new era o commercial enterprise was dawning apou

> try were soon to be developed. For a time progress was promising. The Imperial Bank established its branches throughout the country, and purchased the Persian Branch of the New Oriental Bank eand thus saved the Persian depositors from the valamities which overtook so many in India and in China a short time later. But the paper-currency of the Bank did not most with favour, for very Oriental reasons. And now for the sequel to this auspicious beginning. The engineers began to engineer. They found petroleum in one place, iron in two others, asbastos

mining of copper was successfully begun. In two places indications of mercury were found, of which bottles were collected and thus the stock stimulated. After two seasons spent in prospecting, the field was abandoned, the Company went into liquidation, and on returning to England the engineer was sentenced to imprisoment for false pretences. Work was begun on the highway from Shuster to, Ispahan, but difficulties not auticipated and the opposition of the inhabitants retarded it, pavigation of the Karun was rendered unsafe by the tribes along the banks shooting at the saily being blood brothers' of the monkeys on the Upper Yang-tzu, who were affirmed to be dangerous to the stern-wheelers proposed for that stream. The project for a Wagon-road from Trebizond never passed the initial stage. French engineers spent some time in Tabriz, the guests of the Foreign Agent; but later he turned the foreigners out of his house, and called the Mollas to read prayers to purify it from the pollution of the French drunkenness. No railways have gone into operation as the politics in future. result of Russian concessions. Besides these business enterprises, certain extensive swindles called the Auglo-Asiatio Syndicate and the Persian Lottery Company, were fluated on the English public. and brought large profits to their projectors. But the gem of all the concessions was that called the Imperial Tobacco Corporation, by which the entire purchase, sale and export of the tobacco crop of Persia was granted as a monopoly. The concessionaire sold his rights to a company chartered by Parliament under the title of the of areon against the occupants of No. 48 Imperial Tobacco Corporation. It was pro- Praya West was continued to-day. claimed in Persia in Feb. 1891, and its plans stated to a mass meeting of Teheran mination of Police Sergeant McCauley. merchants under the direction of the Minister of Commerce. The salaries paid were unprecedently high, and those who felt themselves neglected in the distribution began to crystallize an opposition. Their ory was that the price of tobacco would be raised, and that the tobacco itself would be defiled by passing through the hands of infidels-thus making an appeal to two of the most powerful passions of human nature. Advantage was taken of the general in regard to the cleansing of the city :ferment to circulate anonymous petitions finances, the abolition of polygamy, re- inst. enclosing a letter that appeared in the system! The Persian Minister to England of the City, dated the 14th May, and over | cocklofts removed were illegal. cent the Shah a telegram denouncing the the signature of Mr W. Danby. Prime Minister, and was rewarded by being summarily recalled, and his titles taken sade now being waged against illegal cock- in this matter was the fact that the people roughly treated. But surely he could have from him. But he refused to appear, and | lofts and sunshades in this city by the offi- are not being treated the same—that they has since remained in exile. The chief cials of the Sauitary Board and to contain a are not being treated fairly-and the paradisturbances were fomented by the Mollas plain statement of facts which have come graph to which you have just referred tends or Mohammedan Pricats, who posed as | under Mr Danby's personal knowledge since | to support that by stating that he, in comchampions of the rights of the people. Friday, the 8th fast, monopoly. The Government ordered his particular. arrest and expulsion. This caused a riot, and threats of attacking the Christians. In Board during the last few months, owing to dinance respecting cockloits and took the great many matters in it which the Board putting this down, two women and a child | the unfortunate reappearance of the bubenie | trouble to write a letter to Mr Danby, who | might very fairly have asked Mr Danby for were killed. In Tabriz-the leading Com- plague, and which at one time threatened to was wrong, and the Secretary perfectly right, more information upon, but as it was not mercial City of Persia—there was a still assume alarming proportions, have been This letter which appeared in the paper is addressed to the Board, and as I have no more serious outbreak, and eventually mainly directed against the state of filth dated subsequent to that letter of the Secrethreats were made that if the Shah did not that was found to exist in many houses in tary, and therefore I think it might fairly pared to give particulars of the numbers of annul the monopoly, appeal would be made | the city and the obstructions of windows | be said that not only is the statement incurto Russio. As the only preventive of open and ventilating openings preventing, and in rect, but that a most unfair advantage has purposes decree the capacitan compation rebellion, it was decided to abolish the many cases practically entirely precinding, been taken of the qualifying information monopoly for the province in which Tabriz the free access of air and light into the sent by the Secretary. is situated. Meanwhile there was incipient dwellings. rebellion in other parts of the Kingdom, AND INCIDENTS OF RESIDENCE AND form by the lord of the age.' This inter- conviction, TRAVEL IN THE LAND OF THE LEON AND | diet, addressed to 'The Faithful' was to be Holy War. to exterminate the Europeans. Insanitary condition. The Shah recognized the wisdom of yieldpopulace. A mob surrounded the Palace the disturbance, and the Minister called cleaning and disinfection of the premises,

that protection should be granted to all illegal ones to remain. those who took part in the insurrection. visit of the Shah to Europe in 1889, a series him that they were in the presence of revolution, and that his refusal might endanger the lives of the European Colony. of the Oustoms. At this England took. the Russians in the art of dealing with Orientale.' We have related these events in some detail, feeling that they are highly auggestive at the present juncture of affairs in the Far East. It is very easy to plan for 'reform' of all kinds, especially on the, basis of rich pecuniary rewards to the reformer with little or no reference to the reformee. But wisely to plan and auccessfully to carry out a single one of these projects is a charlenge to the highest statesman-ship of the time.

made by the rioters were that the fami-

Our Hongkong correspondent recently drew | tain statements made to the President on attention to the fact that whereas the Monday, the 10th inst. foreign trade of China increased in value In view of Mr Dauby's letter appearing to from 207 million teels in 1889 to the papers the President wrote to him re- | way it you did just now, 314 millions in 1895, the revenue col- | questing his consent to the publication of | Persia, and that the resources of the counlested by the Oustoms hat remained information (omitting hames) he furnished exact figure is 21,386,389 in the latter, In this context it is worthy of note that the sum collected by the Japanese Customs was worth with a view to you (the Pre- as against P.C. 103, in 1895 on a total trade of 285,372,756 year, of 6.61 per cent. on her lorsign trade. Japan levice only 2.51 per cent -Jopan

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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHIMA MAIL']

LONDON, May 20, 1896. THE TRANSVAAL -- COMMUTATION OF THE SENTENCES ON THE RAND REFORMERS.

The Transvall Executive has temporarily of preparing plans for the alteration of plaint is made. There is one other point in commuted the death sentences to fifteen years' imprisonment, pending a further lors as at a target,-these tribes apparent- vision of the judgment next week. The 'oracle,' viz., the parties entrusted with the remainder of the sentences have been variously commuted to terms of imprisonment, from three to twelve months. Nine of the prisoners have been acquitted. sentences of fines have been upheld, and those of banishment remitted, provided delinquents pledge their words honour not to interfere with Transvaal

> SUPREME COURT. IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before His Honour J. W. Carrington. Chief Justice.) Friday, May 22.

THE FIRE AT PRAYA WEST-CHARGE

OF ARSON. The hearing of the evidence in the charge The whole day was occupied by the exa-

THE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE SANITARY BOARD.

A REPLY FROM THE BOARD, At the meeting of the Sanitary Board resterday it was resolved to send the following letter in reply to the letter from the Colonial Secretary enclosing a letter which appeared in our columns from Mr W. Danby Sir .- I am directed to acknowledge the sident and Mr Ede on the roply while in saking for such mild reforms as that of the receipt of your letter No. 775 of the Loth draft form.

This letter purports to advert to the 'orn- | that his object in writing to the public press

Under the cry that the faithful were to be | Before dealing with the alleged facts I certain illegal cocklofts had not been retaxed for the benefit of foreigners excite- have to point out that no crusade is being moved, or sucklefts which he thought at the could give definite evidence as to what ment grew apace. A leading Molta de- waged by the officials of the Sanitary Buard | time were illegal. The whole of that arguclaimed against Europeans and against the against illegal cocklofts and sunshades in | ment falls entirely to the ground in view of !

The Board were convinced that the prompt | rightand in the resultant conflicts, severe fight- adoption and proscoution of measures to ing occurred, several hundred of the rebels | remedy this state of affairs were the only | amend the letter, but I think it ought to be were killed, and nighty soldiers. In De- practical means of arresting the progress of fairlycember the Pope of the Shiah Sect of the | the disease, and the material reduction in Mohammedans issued a decree that 'To-day | the number of cases recently occurring in last few words, he stated that the cockloits | as amended be approved. the use of tobacco is prohibited in every the city certainly tends to strengthen such | were illegal,

M.A., lifteen years a Missionary in The effect was megical. The nation laid plague and within the limits defined by the paper, that they were illegal. saide their pipes. Some affirmed that the Board under by-law No. 22, Ordinance 15 Mr Ede-I say that part of it was incorthe orders of the Molles rather than their | than those necessary to thoroughly cleanes is a censure on Mr Danby.

killed. Many were reported to have been | cargo and stock-in-trade is not practicable.

them to stop rioting. The conditions necessary damage has been done. The next alleged fact is that the gang lies of those killed should be indemnified, pulled down legal cocklefts and allowed

the basis of the complete abolition of the plied with or not, if their removal is necesdetested monopoly. The manager of the sary for the thorough cleansing and disin-

clared that 'it illus rates our inferiority to formed Mr Danby of the fact on Monday.

what Mr Danby refers to as the white- opinion that because a Chinese trader in this president of the latter company petitioned washing brigade with its irresponsible cou- colony has come forward and made a definite tingent of soldiers and coolies.

Mr Danby's communication to the press.

illegal cooklefts to remain). Chapter and to that of an officer of this Board. verse word given me ! I reported this to! headquarters. This the Board understands refers to cer-

be seen that Mr. Danby states the infor- In this particular osco I am disposed to mation was given confidentially for what it | believe the trader as against the other man-

Mr Danby evidently on the 16th inst. conreferred to a certain person not connected with the Board having offered to work the Mr Bengt, e interedes beind tres the menen | andantalfisht mate meds and is torned out Cylichiefe

sident) having it verified or otherwise.

of the Board.

serteined that the alleged illegal cooklofts in thinking that in this case we ought to were legal and that their condition did not take the word of the complainant against render their removal necessary. named were paid the President did not in- | the circumstances are such as to enable me quire, but from inquiries that have been and some of the members of this Board to

cooklofts has reached the handsome sum of Mr Ede's minute, in which he says, 'No from \$25 to \$75 each, so that doubtless large | mention is made about the ceiling which we same of money have been paid to work the preparation of such plans. The conduct of a certain policemen in reference to his action after receiving a note

signed by the Secretary is toofrague to admit of definite investigation, neither the number of policemen nor that of the premises referred to being given. in front of No. 51 Bonham Strand and per-

mission being given to retain the one at No. 55 the following is the explanation. The former was in a very dirty and rotten condition and was removed as a puisance: the latter is in fairly good condition and has properly pulled down. been recently painted.

In the concluding paragraph of the letter Mr Danby states that his reason for writing is that the regulations are not carried out consistently without fear or favour, whilst in his letter to the President of the 16th inst, he states that his 'main object was to suggest that the goods and merchandise of these Chinese merchants and shopkeepers should be handled with a little more care and also that some reasonable time should be given to remove their own goods themselves should they wish to do so."

It appears to the Board that between the 14th and 16th inst. Mr Danby obtained information which caused him to shift his ground and to even doubt the accuracy of complaintsthe plain statement of facts which he alleged had come under his own personal knowledge, in his letter of the 14th inst .- I have, &c., H. MCCALLUM,

Secretary, Sanitary Board. To Hon. Colonial Secretary.

A DISCUSSION. A discussion took place between the Pre-

Mr. Ede quoted from the letter respecting ligious freedom, and a repressentative China Mail, under the beading 'Cleansing the statement of Mr McCallum that the

> The President-Mr Dauby first observed the recent correspondence between Mr Danby may state that had this letter been ad-The efforts of the officials of the Sanitary and the Secretary, who lavestigated the Or-

> > Mr. Ede-Of course if you think it is The President-I am quite prepared to

Mr Ede-With regard to the letter, to the

The President—He not only qualifies it, graph ?

These operations have been confided to the but he subsequently informed Mr Danby, The President—No. I do not consider THE DUN. By the Rev. S. G. Wilson, in force as long as the monopoly existed. neighbourhoods affected by the babonic prior to the writing of that letter to the that is necessary. Has anybody got any

decree took away their desire to smoke. of 1894, and no steps, as far as the Board is rest-not the rest of it. The last paragraph The soldiers declared that they would obey | aware, have been taken by its officers other | should be omitted on the same principle; it

general. Placards were posted orging to a and disinfect premises found in a dirty or The President-I should like to make one or two remarks on two or three points raised Proceeding to the alleged facts contained in the minutes before I put the formal re- against it. ing to the popular demand, and abolished in Mr Danby's letter, Policeman No. 103 solution which I have to move. There are the monopoly for the export trade. But | denies that on the afternoon of the 8th inst. | two definite charges by Mr Danby. One is no half-measures would satisfy the excited | he gave verbal notice to the owners of large | that the stock-in-trade was damaged by dirty houge in Bonham Strand that 'the white- | water. I must say that on reading the washing brigade with its irresponsible non- charge over, the lack of whet I considered inst.—the Matsuyama, Himeji, and Ziucjun. Minister of War, and demanded the entire tingent of soldiers and coolies were coming definite information is so great that it is aland complete abolition of the monopoly, round next morning at 7.80 a.m. to pull most impracticable for this Board or any of with the expulsion of its agents from down their cockletts, &c. Mr Danby tails its officers to investigate it. Apparently so A PRETENDED emissary of Li Hungohans the country. It became necessary to to give the number of premises occupied by far as one can read from this letter, it refers who eleverly defrauded certain porsons of order troops to attack the mob. The his ellent, so that further particular enquiry, to the whole of Bonham Strand. The Board considerable sums of money on the eve of played in the history of the world, and es- rioters were scattered, and somejof them as to alleged damage done to his chents' is aware that certain cisims have come in the China-Japan war has just been sen-

respecting alleged damage to goods in Bon- | tenced to three years' imprisonment, a fine Dr Clark assures the Board that as far as ham Strand and the Board is also aware of 30 yers, and a year's police-surveillance. Christian population was in special danger, practicable under the circumstances every that its members and its officers are engaged -Hiceo News. and revolution was imminent. The hearts consideration has been shown to the owners in investigating those claims, and I think of the people were alienated. The Shah and occupiers of premises and as little dam- until we get definite information as to what appealed to the Russian Minister to quiet age done consistent with the prompt thorough the damage is that is alloged to have been done, also the premises on which it occurred, the leaders of the mob and advised and the Board does not admit that any un- it is hardly of much use for the Board to one Binsang, H.M.S. Humber, Dragon. cupy the time of its officers in investigating plaims of such a general nature as those alleged in Mr Danby's letter. Every person who thinks this Board has noted improperly AMALGAMATION of interests is forecast as It appears that Mr Danby does not know and who has suffered damage can come for- a precursor of sure success for the and that all European undertakings and what cocklefts are legal and which are ward and make a claim. Indeed, I may scheme to establish a large Shipbuilding institutions should be abolished. The last- illegal, but the Board at once edmits that state it has been done two or three times al- and Dock Yard at Wada Point. The named conditions being impossible of ou- whether the special provision of the Ordin- ready, but the result of this investigation, Mitsubishi Company and Armstrong & Co. forcement, a compromise was effected on ances regarding certain structures are com- pending the settlement of the claim, I do not is the union predicted. Mr Iwasaki. at the present moment propose to make President of the former, has petitionpublic. As regards the abuse which Mr | ed the Government to allow an ex-Corporation refusing to assent to the re- fection of the premises they are removed. Danby says he received from P.C. 103, I am change of land in his possession for a track purchase of the entire stock by the Govern- and many of the cocklofts removed were so sure the Captain Superintendent of Police at the mouth of the Minatogawa. The ment, the British Minister represented to rotten and filthy as in themselves to cause a sud the officers of this Board will be perfect. Armstrong people are believed to be buying serious danger to health, whilst others ob. ly ready to inquire further into that on the adjoining properties at unusually high rates. structed windows and ventilating openings, receipt from Mr Danby of the nature of the The scheme has wealthy projectors and

The statement relative to a visit to cer. abuse of which he has complained. There | powerful friends, Governor Sutu is undertherefore assented. The indemnity was tain premises in company with Mr Ede and | may be a great deal of opinion as to what is stood to eye the proposed site with disfavour fixed at £500,000, which the Russiau Gov- Mr McCallum is in the opinion of the Board abuse and there may be two sides to that because it must needs interfere with a pet erament offered to advance on the security calculated to give an incorrect impression. You can hardly call upon a man scheme of his for uniting Kube and Hiogo an These premises were situated in Wing without definite information and accuse him one large port with the dividing Minatogawa slarm, and the Imperial Bank of Persia Sing Street and though Mr McCallum was of using abusive language without informing bankshed away to the westward. - Hicaco loaned the amount at 6 per cent payable in at first of opinion that some cocklefts which him of what the language is. As regards News. forty years, with the Customs as security. had not been removed were illegal, after the incorrect expression which one paragraph By this affair British prestige in Persia studying the provisions of the Ordinance he in the letter, as drafted, might convey, as Mr REFERRING to the rumour that the wellreceived a severe blow, and the Times de- found that they were legal, and duly in- Ede has pointed out, I propose to amend the known British firm of shipbuilding enparagraph as follows. [The President here 10th inst., viz., four days before the date of | read his proposed alteration.] There is one matter in Mr Ede's minute about which I Company to build a dockyard at Wada, the The fact that these cooklofts were still in | might also be ander a wrong impression. Osaka Mainchi, though unable as yet to existence testifies to the discrimination of H I understand it rightly, Mr Ede is of

> complaint against an officer acting under The next statement refers to Mr Danby the instructions of this Board until further having received 'reliable information as to evidence is adduced, that the word of the how the "oracle" is worked (i.e. allowing | Chinese trader should be taken in preference Mr Ede-I am inclined to believe the trader in this case as against the denial of

> > the officer. The President - Well, I have only to point out to the members of this Board-

The President - I am perfectly-Mr Edo-You put it in such a way as to almost stationary, being at million table bibl with and received the attached roply make it appear that I always believe a in the former year, and 214 millions—the | dated the 16th of May, from which it will | Chinaman before an officer of the Board.

> The President Devaues as a tule Chiness are unwilling to make operide comsidered the statements required verification | plaints against specific individuals. I have before acceptance. In that opinion the to remited the members of this Hoard it is President thoroughly consurred. The state- comparatively resultly that an officer of this ment at to how the orable was worked | Board had a specific complaint made against him in two cases by a great nursbur of residents in the district in which it was his

received was participated in by the officers that the charges made against the officer were guite unfounded. Under these circum. The President had inquiries made and as- stances I regret I cannot agree with Mr Ede that of the policeman 103, although at the As to whether or not the sums of money | same time I am extremely glad to think that made the Board is informed that the price support the officer against whom the comsaw in Bonham Strand.' Well, I read the letter carefully through and I had this carefully proved before I drafted the proposed reply and I am sorry to say I cannot find any mention of the ceiling in this letter.

Mr Eds-He referred to his client. He took us down to the house and he said ' Look at this, this has been taken down, and why are not the others in other, places not taken In reference to the removal of the surshade | down. Mr McCallun has investigated the matter and he told me since I wrote that minute that the place was illegal, because t was a certain number of feet in height above and it contained oubicles. At first sight it appeared as if the ceiling was im-

The President-There is no specific reference to that in this letter as far as I can

Mr Ede-The whole thing hinges on that. The President-Upon this ceiling? Mr Ede - Upon his client's cookleft as he called it. I call it a ceiling. It was a high osiling-fourteen feet or so. He took us

The President—He refers to cookletts. Mr Ede-He called it a cookloft, but it

was found to be really a ceiling. The President-It does not appear that Mr Danby was of that opinion. The letter drafted was only intended to be a reply to Mr Danby's letter and not to the numerous

Mr Edo-That is immaterial at any rate. The President-I do not know whether there is anything more that the Board can do in this matter. Careful inquiry has been made of what has taken place and the various reports have been circulated to the members of this Board, and after consideration of those reports the attached draft was circulated for the approval of members, and I now propose that the letter

as amended be approved by the Board. Captain Lethbridge seconded. Mr Ede-You state that Mr Danby has not given definite information as to the goods he saw damaged by water and also been called upon to say what goods they were. He must have known exactly what they were, the time they were damaged and the house, and I think he might be pany with yourself and the Secretary, saw | called upon to say where they were. Perhaps that would clear up the matter, as he

goods they were. The President-In raply to Mr Ede I drassed to the Board I think there are a reason to believe that Mr Danby is prathe houses or the names of the persons concerned in his complaints-in fact he has already refused to give me permission to make use of such information as he has given me on the subject-I do not think the Board can do more than asknowledge the receipt of this letter from the Colonial Secretary and forward this report for the information of His Excellency the Governor. The resolution is that the latter

Mr Ede-Do you omit the last paraamendment to make? Mr Ede-I move that the last para-

graph be omitted. The President-Does anybody second There was no seconder and the resolution

was put and carried, only Mr Ede voting

VERSEIG AT THE DOORS :- At Houseon-Taichtie, Mascotte, Kutsang, Ingraban, Cosmopolitan-Exe, Wandering Jew. Aberdeen-(none).

gineers, Messra Armstrong, Mitchell & Co. propose to combine with the Mitsu Bishi verify the rumour, recalls the fact that the some time ago for power to buy land at the mouth of the Minatogawa, or to exchange for the land now hold by the Bome and Army Departments certain property belonging to the company at Tokyo and Caaks. Considerable opposition, however, is offered to any scheme for establishing a dookyard at this partioular spot. The Hyogo Koncho authorities are opposed to it for the reason that they are pressing a scheme for diverting the course of the Mr Ede-Den't put it in such a general Minatogawa and filling up the present. mouth of the river in order to extend the boundary of Kobe, which is now dea limitated by the river bod. Where the river now empties into the sea it is proposed to build a Oustome-house, plor, godowna and other facilities for a shipping trade at that end of the town. If, therefore, the Mitsu Bishi Company obtains the powers it reduests, it is urged on behalf of the Kenobe authorities that it will prevent the extension of the port. The Company's project. however, is understood to have many backers in Government circles, and it is doubtful whether the Kencho authorities will aucesed in their opposition. [We need scarcely day that all the above appears to oracle on rescipt of destale arms of money, duty to enforce the canitary regulations, be based on the morest rumous] -- Kobs

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Albatros	Austrian gunboat	650 .	5	700	C-4-1- Pourses	Vladivostock
Algout.	Russian gunboat	810	23	730	Captain Parenege	
	French cruiser	4330	30	8000	Captain Boutet	Nagasaki
Alger	German cruiser	2370	18	2400	Captain A. Sarnow	Nagasaki
Arcons	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Journal	Bangkok
Aspio	French flagship	6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Kobe
Bayard	- French wooden sloop	1350	14	1000	Captain Ternet	Yokohama
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Bobro	U. S. cruiser	3::00	8		Captain F. Wildes	Chefoo
Boston		3290	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Saniula	Manila
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Jomète	French gunboat	2000	16	5400	Commander John Stark Newell	Ohefoo
Detroit	U. S. oruiser		16	7000	Captain Witthofft	Chefoo
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	6000	1 .	1000	Capt. Duelo	Manila
Don Antonio de Ullos	Spanish cruiser	1200.	4	1500	Commander R. P. de Bonaure	Monila
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Kaiser	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt, Lindestroem	Chemulpo
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Cratin	French gunboat	490	10		Commander Bouston	Cheloo
Machins	U. S. cruiser	1050	16	1000	Captain Vimigra	Manila
Manila	Spanish transport	1057	2	1000	Cappain Timges	Negazaki
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Monocacy	U. S. aloop	1370	6	850	Com. Reisinger	
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5800	14	13,500	Captain J. J. Read	Cheloo
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THE CANADIAN AGENCY. der Smith, K.C.M.G., formerly Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company's Territory, and of national statesmanship. Mr Chamberlain at present one of the members for Montreal | deserves credit for the frequency with which West in the Canadian House of Commons, he alludes to the subject and for his endeavhas been appointed High Commissioner for ours to bring it within the range of practical Canada in London in succession to fir politics. The home papers to hand by the Charles Tupper.

CHARGE OF ATTEMPTING TO BRIDE

A PREMIER. London, April 28 .- Mr Hugh Watt, formerly a member of the House of Commons, bus emphatically denied the statements made by Mr C. C. Kingston, Premier of South Australia, with reference, to Mr Watt's interview with him on his late visit to Adelaide. Mr Kingston asserted that Mr Watt interviewed him in Adelaide in connection with the proposal of a syndicate to take up an extensive tract of land in the Northern Territory, and informed Mr Kings ton that if he would assist the syndicate to obtain the land in question he would receive a number of shares in the proposed company. Mr Watt describes Mr Kingston's letter of 19th March, which was published in the press at the time, as an election dodge, and a tissue of falsehoods. He says that he intends to reply to the assertion in extenso by the outgoing mail.

THE METRIC SYSTEM. April 21.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Mr A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, stated that it would be impossible to impose the metric system in scheme yet proposed has met the Customs England.

STRENGTHENING THE SWEDISH NAVY. April 23, -The Diet of Sweden has sauctioned the expenditure of 11,000,000 krona (about £620,000) towards improving the condition of the navy.

ARREST OF BURGLARS. April 19, -- Two men have been arrested in London on suspicion of having been concerned in extensive burglaries in New York. Upon their effects being searched it was found that they had £20,000 worth of jewellery in their possession.

DYNAMITE OUTRAGE IN LISHON. April 30, -A. wealthy gentleman and his coschman have been killed in Lisbon by the explosion of a dynamite bomb.

ADVANCE OF COMBOLS. April 18 .- First-class investment stocks are firmer in the market owing to the favourable nature of the Budget. What are known as Goschen's 24 per cent. stocks and which were quoted at 111 on the 16th iostant, are now quoted at 112. April 20, -Consols, which were quoted

112 on the 18th inetant, to-day had risen to The Times states that purchases by the English Government on behalf of the funds of the Pest Office Savings Bank had had the

market. That journal declares that such action makes an unfair barometer of the value of stucks. WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LOAM. April 29. - The Western Australian 3 per cent. loan of £750,000, tenders for which

at a premium of 28. It is expected that the tendering will be heavy. The minimum has been fixed at 96. THE MAYORALTY OF VIENNA. April 27 .- At the request of the Emperor of Austria, Dr Lueger, the Anti-Semitio leader, has resigned the office of Burgo-

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elected for the third time. retirement of Dr Lueger from the Mayoralty | that that problem, difficult as it is, does not of Vienna will be only temporary. He will transcend the resources of British statesmanset by deputy until after the millenial cele- ship. Mr Chamberlain does not say that he bration of the foundation of the Hungarian has a solution readymade, but he is clear a Monarchy, when the Orown will sanction solution can and should be arrived at. In his election. The Vienna correspondent of all human probability he has a long and acthe Times says that a profound sensation | tive career before him; if he solves this has been caused in Vienna by the retirement question, the most momentous political quesof Dr Lueger, who, it is declared, leads a tion of the day for Britons, he will have

THE PACTFIC CABLE. London, April 28 .- Sir J. Mackenzie zette. Bowell, and Sir F. Smith, a member of the Canadian Cabinet, have been appointed as the Canadian delegates to the Pacific Cable Commission. They will sail for London on the 9th May, Mr Sandford Fleming, C.M.G., will accompany the delegates as an expert and adviser.

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GERMAN NEW GUINEA. April 20. - It is reported that the German Government intends to repurchase Kaiser Wilhelm's Land from the German New Guines Company for half, a million marks. This includes only the territory of the company in New Guinea, and not in the adjacent slands.

ENGLAND AND VENEZUELA. April 27 .- Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Minister at Washington, has been authorised to negotiate with the Venezuelan Minister at Washington with a view to the settlement of the entire question in dispute between England and Venezuela, Mr G. W. Smalley, the New York correspondent of the Times, states that the United States Government is willing to use its influence for the anceptance of the proposals for direct parleying between England and Venezuela. ADELAIDE HOSPITAL DISPUTE.

April 25.—The British Medical Journal has refused to insert an advertisement from Mr Thomas Playford, Agent-General for South Australia, inviting applications from medical men for appointments on the staff of the Adelaide Hospital, and reitorates its warnings against accepting the appointments. It declares that the Government cablegram relative to the matter glozes over the situation. Mr Playford has written a letter to the Journal, in which he states that there are no serious grounds why members of the medical profession should not accept engage-

April 29 .-- Numerous applications have been received for the vacant positions on the medical staff of the Adelaids Hospital. ... Dr Perry, of Guy's Hospital, has consented to assist Mr Playford, the Agent-General for South Australia, in the selection of can-

S. A. GENERAL ELECTIONS. Adelaide, April 28. - The general elections took place in South Australia on Saturday. being the first occasion in which women were allowed to vote. As the result of the general elections in South Australia, the state of parties in the new Parliament, is expected to be as follows : - Ministerialist, 15; Labor, 12; Oppositionists, 22; Indepen-

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from her policy of free trade, by limiting it to free trade within the British Empire only, 840 also remains to be seen. Mr Chamberlaio, whose tree trade principles are above suspicion, says that if a fessible scheme of federation could be devised, a scheme which would draw the members of the British Empire more closely together, he for one would not besitate to depart in some measure from those principles. This fiscal question is in reality the crux of the position, and if the colonies seriously desire federation they must make the first move. The question has already been mooted in Canada, where it is now being eagerly discussed and where several prominent men hold that the problem is capable of solution without the mother country being asked to depart from her long-established free-trade policy. The problem is not, pereffect of inflating the price of consols in the haps, yet ripe for solution, but Mr Chamberlam's specch will provoke widespread disous sion and bring the great dream of Imperial federation nearer fulfilment. The change in this direction in recent years has been very marked. It is not many years since a by-no-means inconsiderable school of British politicians considered that it would be best for the mother-country and for the colonies if they were separated, but nowadays no politician, with the slightest claim to speak with authority, holds this exploded belief. It is now admitted that the different communicies that form our empire should be drawn more closely together. Sorious politicians are concerned not with devising the easiest made of master of Vienna, to which he was recoully amputation but with studying the problem of how to promote unitication on a mutually April 28 .- It is understood that the satisfactory basis. We may rest assured party equally hostile to the Hungarians as gained fame and reputation for himself second to none in the long history of the making of the British Empire. - Rangoon Ga-

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Missent or Delayed Correspondence. When correspondence has been missent or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionally) all that the addresses P. raia, Peru, Portugal, Roumania, Salva- need do is to note on the cover, Sent to dor, Servia, Siam, Spain, Switzerland, -, or Received at 7 p.m., or as the case Tunis, The Argentine Republic, The Domini-can Republic, The Republic of Hondarus, other writing whatever, to the Postmaster United States, to which places 12 oz. (350 General. This action should be taken the grammes) is the limit, and must not exceed first time cause of complaint occurs; it is a mistake to let such matters pass for fear of these dimensions: 12 inches by 8 inches giving trouble, a course which generally gives more trouble in the end.

> 1. Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, Patterns, Bills, Almanacs. &c., for addresses in Hongkong or the Ports of China, in batches of not less than ten of uniform size and weight may be sent to the Post Office unstamped, the postage, at the rate of one cent each, being paid in cash or charged to the sender's account. Special accounts may be opened with nonbox-holders for the delivery of considerable numbers of such articles.

2. Such covers, when addressed to places other than Hongkong or Chins, must be prepaid two cents each in stamps as hereto-

8. Circulars, &c., must not exceed ? ounces each in weight. Patterns, Almanacs, de., must be under 4 ounces each in weight. Heavier articles will be charged ordinary

4. Envelopes containing Patterns, &c., may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed circulars may be enclosed in pattern packets. China and Treaty Ports (Canton excepted)

5. Addresses must be complete. That is to say, on such covers as are not addressed to heads of houses the addressee's residence or place of business must be added. Incompletely addressed covers will be returned to the sender for address.

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[Office Hours (Sundays and holidays excepted) 10 to 4, Saturdays 10 to 1, but the office is open from 10 to 5 on the working day next before any mail for Europe, which leaves at

[Money orders cannot be issued or cashed on mail mornings, when closing mails for Europe, until noon.]
1. Money Orders are issued at Hongkong

a.m. 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m. China Ports (Holhow, Canton, Swatow, Amoy, In the Suburbs, 9 a.m., noon, 5 p.m., unless Foochow, Ningpo, Hankow, and Shanghai). Hawaii (Sandwich Islands). 2. Boxholders who desire to send Circu- British India (including Burmah and the Agenars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, cies of the Indian Post Office in the Persian

Hongkong, or the Ports of China, may Japan Ports (Nagasaki, Osaka, Hiogo, Kobe, Kioto, Yokohama and Hakodate). New South Wales. New Zealand. British North Borneo. Queensland. Siam (Bangkok only). South Australia. Malacea).

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securely packed) or parcels easily crushed, the London Post Office are paid less the follow-such as band-boxes, are prohibited. No Paring discount for which the remitter should allow. cel can be received if its value exceeds \$500. All such Orders must be expressed in British For sums not exceeding £2, " Exceeding £2 but not ex'ding £ 5 .. 6d. 8 .- The commission charged is as follows (according to the currency the Order is drawn

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Trinidad.

Turks' Islands.

pts ; £6, 72 ets.; £7, 64 ets.; £8, 96 ets.; £9, \$1.06; \$10, \$1.20. (9.) Up to \$10, or 20 rapeas, 20 etc.; \$25. or 50 rapeas, 40 etc.; \$85, or 70 rapeas, 60 cia; \$50, or 100 repose, 80 cta; 150 raposa, Mullet. 4.-No Order must exceed &10 or \$60 (unfor the anie delivery of Registered correspon. 4.—No Order must exceed \$10 or \$50 for-dence, but it is prepared to make good the last drawn on India; when 150 Repose is the

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Highest. Lowest, Butcher Mest. 來路烟猛肉 花旗烟猪肉 届州州猪肉 日本煙猪肉 Corned Soup,

Kidneys, Tripe (undressed) catty 60 牛仔頭脚 Calves Head and Feet. 花旗火腿 Hams, American, 金華火腿 Ohinese. 來路火腿 English, New, . 日本火腿 Japan cured,

Shanghai. 手件官 Mutton Chop, Feet,

,, Fry, . Head Heart,

"Kidneya, Liver. Pork, Chop, Corned,

Fat or Lard. Sheeps' Head and Feet,

Kidneys, Sucking Piga,

Suct, Beef, Mutton.

catty 140 Poaltry.

Musk Deer,

Wild Ducks, .

Teal,

Catfish, Codfish, Salt, Crabs, 沙西思 Dog Fish, File Fish,

曾白 (a.) For sums not exceeding :- £1, 12 ots. 22, 24 cts.; 28, 58 cts.; 24, 48 cts.; 55, 60 Lobsters. Mackerel.

Chinese Names. Pomfret, Black

Skate.

猪雌

豬牌骨 鹹猪肉

, each \$1.75 \$1.25

生牛油

上海水圈

Shrimps. Whiting.

Turtles, small, fresh water, White Bait,

1 Apples, (California), 金山平菓 (Tientain), 天津平菓 (Japan), Bananas, fragrant (brides).

首数母魚 山香蕉 Chestnuts, Chinese. 風果 Carambola, Cocoanuts. Ground Nuts.

鮮提子 Grapes, Lemons, China Lichees, Dried

Limes. Mango, (Saigon), (Manils), dozen 120 Mangosteen, . catty 100

Oranges, Sweet, Olives, 本地波顯 Pine-apples, Pears, (Shonghai), catty

大津雪梨 (Tientsin) Pumelo.

Peach, (Sweet), 外從戰 Raisins. Muscatel.

Pudding. Water Chesnuts, com.

Vegetables, &c.

Walnuts. 米邮 佛論四邊豆 Bean. (French). Beet Root, 紅兀姑

Brassica, Bamboo Shoots Cabbage. Chinese com Cabbage, Shanghai, Cauliflower. Carrots,

Celery, Chinese, Chilies Dried, Curry Stuff, English,

Cucumbers. Bitter Squash, Garlio, Ginger, young, Horse Radish, S'hai,

Indian Corn, . Lettuce, (English), Mushrooms, Fresh, Onions, Bombay,

上海葱頭 日本忽頭 Okroes, Parsley, English. Potatoes, Sweet. Shanghai, 日本醫仔 Japan, 花旗暂仔

福州署仔 Pumpkin,

Pursline 紅腿白仔 上日米 Rice, best quality, per picul, 中白米 就戲頭

Spinage. (Chinese Spinach, Snake Gourd, Tomatoes, Taros,

Vegetable Marrow

Water Cresses, WE MACDONALD Austiant Inspector of Markets .

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